Z Vertex Bias

Symptom: A loss of vertex location efficiency as a function of *z*, with efficiency highest at downstream end of each emulsion module

This effect is seen in all hybrid emulsion experiments using thick emulsion targets

E653, CHORUS, DONUT...

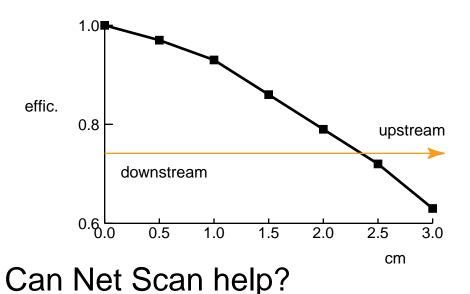
Cause: Vertex predictions fail in thick targets due to showering, 2^{ry} interactions, scattering...

⇒ Primary Interaction will be difficult to locate. Method of location probably makes a difference, in principle

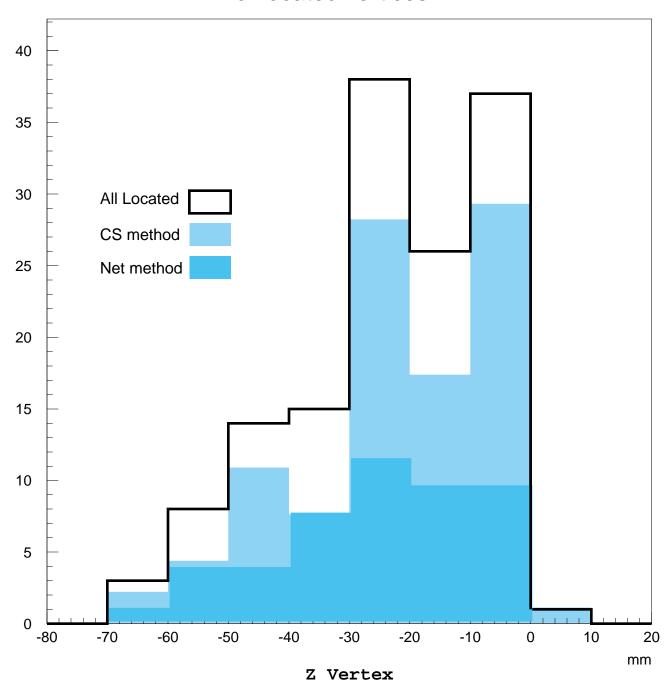
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For DONUT, this loss of efficiency is relatively severe, since our 6cm targets are the thickest ever used in a hybrid spectrometer (relying on electronic vertex predictions)

Extrapolating from CHORUS data we can estimate that for the CS scanning method we will have an efficiency of about 50%.

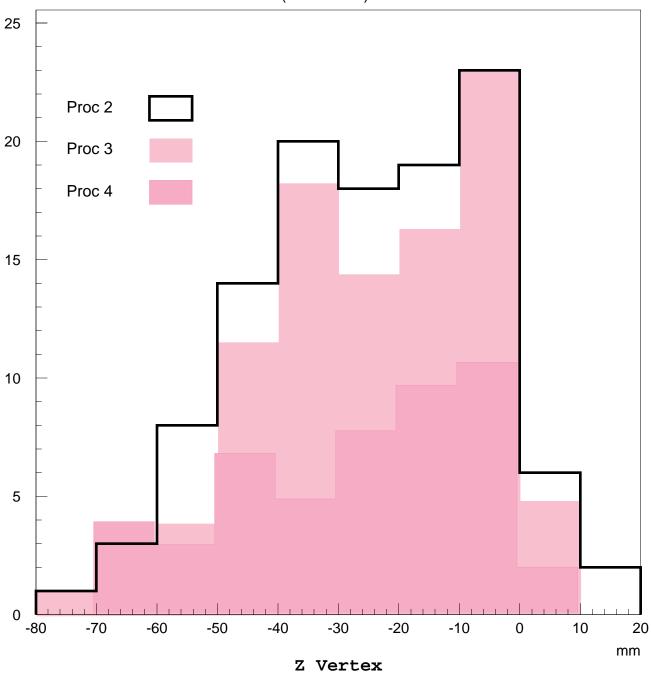


Z of located vertices



Z of predicted vertices

(located set)



Z Vertex Location

Refit events

